

KEY FACTS ABOUT

Children birth to 3 years,
their families, and
the child care system
that serves them

Mississippi

Total population: 2,844,658

U.S. Census 2000



An average of 2,877 children 0–3 are served per month by the Child Care and Development Fund

(FY 2001 ACF-801 data)

In Federal Fiscal Year 2004 the Infant/Toddler Child Care and Development Fund Set-Aside = \$1,633,782

(FY 2004 CCDF Allocations and Earmarks,
U.S. Dept. of HHS, ACF)



1,031 children served by 11 grantees are in Early Head Start

(2003 Early Head Start Funded Enrollment)
(EHSNRC Database—April 2004)

The percentage of all the requests for child care to the child care resource and referral programs for infant and toddler care is not available

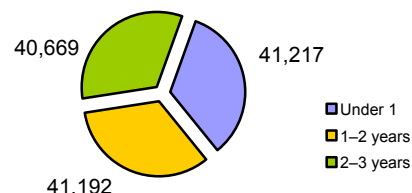
(Child Care Profile, United States/NACCRRA, March 2003)



1,862 children under 3 are served by the Early Intervention program

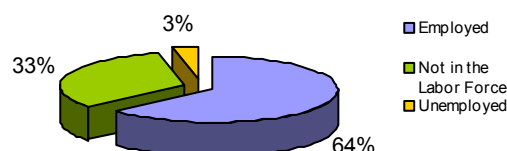
(U.S. Dept. of Education, Office of Special Ed. Programs,
Data Analysis System (DANS), Dec. 2002)

129,078 Children Under 3 Live in Mississippi



U.S. Census 2000

64% of Mississippi Women with Children Under the Age of 3 Are in the Labor Force



Current Population Survey, March 2001

Professional Development of Infant/Toddler Caregivers

Infant/Toddler Caregiver Credential:	No
Infant/Toddler Child Development Associate*:	54 issued in 2002 18 issued in 1998
Early Learning Guidelines for 0–3:	No

*Council on Professional Recognition

In Center-Based Care the staff-to-child ratios are

1:5 for infants under 1 year; 1:9 for 1-year-olds; 1:12 for 2-year-olds; 1:14 for 3-year-olds

(State Licensing Regulations)

In Family Child Care the staff-to-child ratios are

Family Child Care is not regulated.

In Group Family Child Care the staff-to-child ratios are

1:4 for infants under 1 year; 1:8 for 1-year-olds; 1:12 for 2-year-olds; 1:14 for 3-year-olds

(State Licensing Regulations)

Annual Cost of Infant/Toddler Child Care as a Percent of Median Income

ITCC/Median Income
Not Available

Child Care Profile, United States/NACCRRA, March 2003

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For the CCDF Administrator's Contact Information go to:

<http://nccic.org/statedata/dirs/devfund.html>

For more demographic information about Illinois go to:

<http://nccic.org/statedata/statepro/mississi.html>

